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To the brink. The Rangers couldn't get anything past Kings goaltender Jonathan Quick in a Game 3 shutout.

One game away. New York faces a 0-3 hole in the series, but need only look to the Kings, who erased that deficit in the opening round. PAGE 31

BACKS TO THE WALL

Henrik Lundqvist faced only 15 shots, but allowed three into the net in the 3-0 loss. / GETTY IMAGES

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Today's tweet

"New York, New York, city so nice they named it twice...its second name is Manhattan"

@macklemaslow



Top 3

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1 'Oh yes, the new Psy music video is here'

2 'VIDEO: Manny Machado flings bat, starts bench-clearing brawl'

3 "'Game of Thrones' recap: Season 4, Episode 9, 'The Watchers on the Wall'"

The Shock Exchange is looking to make waves



A New York Shock Exchange player gets ready to play. / MILES DIXON, METRO

Contact. The men's roller derby league is on a roll.

Roller derby has never been a sport for the faint of heart. For more than a decade since it resurfaced, the sport featured women who are willing to take a few bruises as they streak on their eight wheels.

While locals might commonly associate the sport with the rough and tumble women of New York's Gotham Girls, some of their biggest fans are making their own impression as the city's premier men's roller derby league.

Today, the New York Shock Exchange is a league of its own as it works to achieve the success of its female compatriots.

"They're the benchmark," said architect Thomas Rudary, 33. "No doubt, they're an inspiration."

The Shock Exchange

came about three years after Gotham Girls debuted in 2003 after a referee organized the league's first bout in 2007.

Its A-Team, the Shock Exchange All-Stars, has taken home the national championship in 2010 and 2011, placing within the top three in 2012 and 2013.

Rudary, otherwise known as "Tank Lloyd Wright" rolls as a blocker with the league's B-Team, the Dow Jones Average.

"There were several weeks where I was just skating around the outside before I was really ready to engage with the guys," Rudary said.



Visit metro.us to view more photos of the NY Shock Exchange.

New members — also known as futures — tend to spend months improving and learning the rules before given a skills test.

"Everybody who sticks with it can eventually play," said Roland Ballester, alias Roly Ramone.

The Shock Exchange is hosting tryouts on June 24 at 8 p.m. Those interested can email futures@nyshockexchange.com.

In addition to the traveling squads, skaters play in one of three home teams — Coney Island Freakshow, Greenwich Villains and the Union Squares.

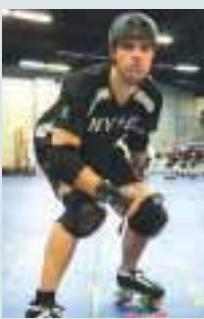
After practice, Connor Ross, aka Otter Manic, showed off his own fresh bruise on his thigh.

"I've never walked into any organization where every person tried to make you part of the family on the first day," he said. "I was sold. Done. I don't care if I'm good at this or not."



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Tank Lloyd Wright



Tom Rudary

Teams: Greenwich Villains, NYSE All-Stars
Position: Blocker
Age: 33
From: Brooklyn

Otter Manic



Connor Ross

Teams: Dow Jones Average, NYSE All-Stars
Position: Jammer
Age: 26
From: Queens

Toxic Haz-Matt



Matt Kondracki

Team: Dow Jones Average
Position: Blocker
Age: 19
From: Long Island

Muy Chingon



Jamison Jones

Teams: NYSE All-Stars, Coney Island Freakshow
Position: Blocker
Age: 47
From: Manhattan

World's oldest man, 'scholar of the occult' dies



Alexander Imich
GUINNESS BOOK OF WORLD RECORDS

The world's oldest man has died in New York at age 111, according to the senior citizen residence where he lived.

Alexander Imich, who was born in Poland in 1903 and survived a Soviet Gulag labor camp, died on Sunday, said Marcy Levitt, executive director of Esplanade Manhattan.

Imich emigrated to the United States in the 1950s and was a scholar of the

A rich life

New York City saw a lot of changes over the 111 years that Alexander Imich lived through.

- Imich was born one year before the first underground line of the subway opened in 1904.
- He was born in the

same year, 1903, that the New York Yankees, then called the New York Highlanders, played their first game in the five boroughs.

- He was older than Grand Central Terminal, which took its first riders on Feb. 2, 1913.

occult. He edited an anthology called "Incredible Tales of the Paranormal" in 1995 at the age of 92.

He turned 111 in February and, in April, assumed the rank of oldest living man, according to the Gerontology Research Group.

That ranking now goes to Sakari Momoi of Japan, born on Feb. 5, 1903, one day after Imich.

He credited good genes for his long life. **REUTERS**

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Audrey Zhang's doodle was featured on Google's home page. / GOOGLE

Google doodler: Long Island kid talks making art

Iconic. Audrey Zhang's illustration was showcased on the powerhouse search engine.



Budding artist

"She has made thousands of amazing pieces, and I keep them all in scrapbooks."

Hongmei Zhang

Google announced in April that a Long Island fifth grader was a finalist in its national search for doodles that would display on the tech giant's homepage.

Last week, Audrey Zhang, 11, beat out 100,000 submissions nationwide with her colorful concept to better the world by addressing clean water — a design that went live Monday.

The contraption not only earned Zhang an animated presence on Google's homepage but also a \$30,000 college scholarship and \$50,000 technology grant for her

school, Island Trees Memorial Middle School.

Google said its philanthropic arm would donate \$20,000 in her name to the nonprofit Charity: Water, which supplies clean water to schools in

Bangladesh.

In late May, Zhang flew to Google's California headquarters for its awards ceremony, where she joined finalists from the 50 states.

Zhang was excited and nervous. "It was very fast," she said. "I was just sitting there and next thing you know, I'm onstage."

It only took her one week to draw the mosaic full of machines, munchkins and mystical creatures, including a miniature blue whale in a top hat, a blue-ringed leopard and dragons.

"I want to be an artist when I grow up," she said.

Zhang's mother, Hongmei, said Audrey has been artistic since she was 2.

"Next year, I want to publish a book of all her artwork," she said.

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USA. Principal stirs outrage after banning singing patriotic song

A Coney Island elementary school principal is at the center of controversy for the second time in two years after reportedly not allowing students to sing a patriotic song at a school ceremony.

The New York Post reported on Sunday that the principal of PS 90, Greta Hawkins, became the subject of criticism when she forbid pre-K students from singing "Stand Up for the Red, White and Blue" for a ceremony that will be held on June 19.

In 2012, Hawkins came under fire when she wouldn't let students sing "God Bless the USA" at the graduation ceremony.

Hawkins reportedly told the Post in an email that the song was nixed because it was not on a list that teachers had submitted for approval.

Reactions to this latest "ban" were predictable, as people again took to Twitter to express their outrage. **SAMAR KHURSHID**

Tweet-back

"Greta Hawkins must be Anti American for denying the students to be patriotic and sing stand up for red white blue. Time she moved to Russia"

@kayel_m



"How have we come to a point in the U.S. where any vestige of patriotism is viewed abhorrent?"

@oldhickory49

"NYC principal Greta Hawkins can hate America all she wants (taught to her by counterculture) but to deny students respect for country wrong."

@HomerWhite

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The man entered the mezzanine at the Coney Island station after being stabbed in the back. / GETTY IMAGES

Man stumbles into Brooklyn subway station after being stabbed

A 49-year-old man stumbled into a Coney Island subway station early Monday morning after being stabbed, police said.

Around 1:30 a.m., the man entered the mezza-

nine at the Coney Island – Stillwell Avenue station with stab wounds to his leg and back, according to the NYPD.

A police officer found the man and called an ambulance. He was rushed to Lutheran Hospital in critical but stable condition, police said.

Investigators were unable to immediately interview the man, police said.

No arrests have been made. **ANNA SANDERS**



FDNY chief sworn in

Daniel Nigro was sworn in as the new fire commissioner of the FDNY on Monday morning at a Brooklyn firehouse by Mayor Bill de Blasio. He replaces Sal Cassano, who served as commissioner since 2010. Nigro grew up in Bayside, Queens, attended Baruch College and originally joined the FDNY in 1969. / OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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Metro-North bridge might be replaced

The days of an ailing 118-year-old Metro-North swing bridge are numbered, officials said Monday.

Connecticut Gov. Dannel Malloy and transit officials will push for \$460 million in federal funds to replace the "Walk Bridge," which failed twice in the last few weeks and snarled traffic on the New Haven Line.

The Connecticut bridge pivots on a central axis, allowing boats on the Norwalk River to pass. **METRO**



Expect more clouds and rain over New York City in the coming days. / GETTY IMAGES

New Yorkers would be on cloud nine if they could avoid this week's weather.

Through Friday night, clouds will cover at least 70 percent of the sky, according to National Weather Service predictions.

The gloomy forecast

Sunny Saturday

80

But every cloud does have a silver lining: Saturday is expected to be partly sunny with a high near 80 degrees.

is caused by a cluster of weather systems, service meteorologist Tim Morrin explained.

A slow-moving frontal boundary from the west will settle across the area Tuesday, and a "back door" cold front will pass through that night, followed by another system.

"All that moisture coming in is going to contribute to the cloud cover," Morrin said.

Daytime temperatures will hover in the high 70s. There's a chance of rain Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. **ANNA SANDERS**



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Obama easing school debt law

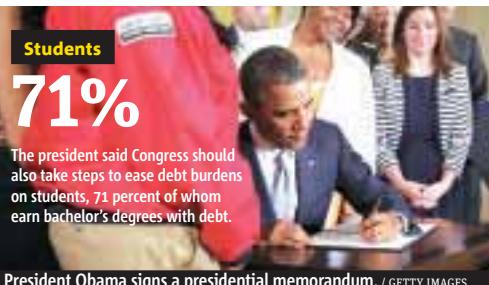
Worth the wait.

The president moves to lessen student loan burden, though the action won't take effect until 2015.

President Barack Obama on Monday signed an executive order making it easier for up to 5 million people to pay off college tuition debt, and scolded congressional Republicans for opposing legislation that would lower student-loan borrowing costs.

Obama signed an executive order allowing more people to limit repayments of federal student loans to 10 percent of their monthly incomes.

The administration will also try to lower student costs by renegotiat-



President Obama signs a presidential memorandum. / GETTY IMAGES



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the president's
executive order.

Senate Democrats have proposed legislation that would allow millions of Americans to refinance both federal and private undergraduate student loans at lower interest rates.

The bill is unlikely to overcome the opposition of Republicans, who say the measure would come at too high a cost for the government. Obama said Republicans were not doing enough to support students. **REUTERS**

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Survey

57,436 63,869

The survey said it found that 57,436 new patients had been waiting 90 days or more for an appointment.

It found that 63,869 patients over the past 10 years had requested never-scheduled appointments.

Tent of the systemic problems we face, problems that demand immediate actions," VA acting Secretary Sloan Gibson said in a statement.

The report made no mention of whether the

long wait times had resulted in deaths of veterans. Doctors at VA clinics in Phoenix, where the investigations were first launched, have alleged that some 40 veterans have died while waiting for care. REUTERS



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OMG! Graffiti goes hyperreality with picture-perfect paintings

Polish-born Adam Kłodzinski, aka SOAP, takes the art of graffiti into hyperreality, with photo-realistic images of anything from celebs like Rihanna and Naomi Campbell to abstract montages and urban landscapes. Whatever the project, the self-taught artist always includes his perspective-skewing trademark tag — or self-portrait — that he refers to as "Little Adam." Metro chats with SOAP about run-ins with the cops and why he would like to take his canvas to a politically controversial place.

Graffiti artists normally have to keep an eye out for the boys in blue. Have you had any close calls with police?

Back in the day, I used to graffiti trains and some other illegal places and we were always chased by police. And this one time, they were shooting at me — it was crazy, man. [Laughs]

Why do some artists still prefer to paint illegally?

Well, it's the choice of the artist. I've got friends who paint similar stuff to me, but they don't feel the need to be famous or make money from it. I loved doing it and wanted to make a living from it. It's a lifestyle, but for other artists it's about the adrenaline — it's like doing a bungee jump.

In the past, you've created images of celebrities, so have you thought about doing something fun with politicians?

I would like to do a controversial exhibition that covers some of history's craziest leaders. Politicians run our world, and I think art is a form of expression that they can't touch.

Which politicians would you like to ridicule?

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The road to 'Jen.' From an early age, Jennifer Lydon knew she was a woman, though she was born male. There were dark days and bouts of feeling helpless. But with support from family, friends and co-workers, the Metro ad salesperson was able to open up about her transformation — and how she's finally comfortable in the body she was born to be in.

Brian Lydon's leg bounced underneath his desk. He pulled on his pin-striped suit jacket and ran his fingers through his hair.

"I want to thank everyone in advance for hanging out after the meeting to hear what I have to say," he began. His hands started to shake. "I would like to share something of a personal nature with all of you. In fact, I now feel as though I need to."

On March 19, the 48-year-old Metro ad salesman and Northeast Philadelphia native would reveal his true self to colleagues at the end of a monthly staff meeting.

In the glass-enclosed conference room overlooking Philadelphia's City Hall, Lydon's co-workers gathered to acknowledge birthdays, milestones and Employees of the Month. In an unusual aside, Metro's HR director talked about workplace diversity, then asked Lydon if he wanted to say something. Lydon pointed: "Can you close the door?"

"Look, I'm a little nervous," Lydon said, his leg pumping like a jackhammer, as he unrolled a piece of paper. "So I'm just going to read this."

Heads swiveled: Was he quitting? Was it cancer?

"Over the years some of you may have noticed how I always seem to shy away from social situations. I've been fighting a lifelong struggle — one that in the early 1970s was not even close to being understood."

Was he an alcoholic? Is this his 12th Step?

"Well, approximately five years ago, after decades of guilt, suppression and substance abuse, I finally sought out the professional help I so desperately needed — and after being diagnosed with gender dysphoria, I finally accepted the fact that I am what is more commonly referred to as transgender."

There it was: The professional called Brian Lydon was only a mask. Outside of work, he was Jennifer. Brian was just a suit, but Jennifer was real.

"My family accepts me," Lydon went on to say. "My ex-wife is now my best friend, and I am currently in a long-term relationship. For the first time in my life, I can pretty much say that I am happy. We spend one-third of our lives at work. And personally, I can no longer play [a role]. I'm proud of who I am."

Lydon peered around the room. Some dabbed at their eyes, some brought a hand to Lydon's shoulder. Applause broke the moment of silence. Metro Director of Finances Peter Handy stood: "That was extremely brave. That took a lot of intestinal fortitude to do. I could say another word, but I won't."

The last step of Lydon's transformation was complete. Throughout her entire life, from now on, she would be known as Jennifer Lydon.

"You look like a huge weight has been lifted off of your shoulders," Handy added. Lydon threw up her hands: "Yeah, well, life's too short to not be happy."

Quoted

"We spend one-third of our lives at work. And personally, I can no longer play [a role]. I have no doubt that if given the chance, a happier, healthier ME will not only find my place, but will also become an integral part of the team." Lydon, in a speech to Metro co-workers



"I'm happier than I've ever been," says Jennifer Lydon, as she poses in the lobby of Metro's office building in Center City.

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Visit [Metro.us](#) for video of Lydon talking about her journey, plus more stories and photos.

Finally 'me'

The mailman slipped the Sept. 6, 1976, issue of Sports Illustrated through the mail slot. When 11-year-old Brian Lydon opened it to the full spread on Renee Richards, the transgender female tennis player who wanted to compete at Wimbledon, his eyes widened.

"I had never seen anything like this," Lydon said, looking back.

When his siblings were in bed, Lydon read the magazine under a lamp. Back then, Lydon knew he was a Renee Richards.

"I remember seeing that and was like, 'Oh, my God. You can actually change,'" Lydon said. "And I wanted it. I wanted it."

Seeing Richards made Lydon aware that he wasn't the only one sneaking around, trying on his sister's clothes. He wasn't the only one who preferred playing with Barbies. He wasn't alone.



The first life

Lydon put down her soda, crossed her legs and cracked her wrist. She knew she was female from a very young age, but tried to "beat it," as she puts it.

At 21, Lydon went out to California to escape, often taking rides out to Sunset Boulevard. "I got scared because I wound up driving around in the middle of the night looking at the drag queens and wanted to join them."

At the time, there was no Internet. There were no support groups for

WHO I AM'



Lydon, left, with sales director Jennifer Clark, walks out of the Metro office in Center City before taking a sabbatical.



A sign reading "The way to get started is to stop talking and start doing" hangs in the sales department by Lydon's desk.



Metro co-workers had one last drink with the person they knew as Brian Lydon in March, before Lydon's sabbatical.

transgender men and women, Lydon recalled. So Lydon came back to Philly.

"I'm glad, because if I would have come out then, I can almost be sure I'd be dead," Lydon said.

She brought her voice down to a whisper: "I hated what I was. And when you hate what you are, that's not a good thing."

And then, Lydon met Debbie. "Debbie kind of saved my life." The couple got together in their early 20s. Debbie already had

two children — Amy and CJ — from a previous relationship. Before they wed, Lydon told Debbie about her past wearing women's clothes, and she slowly revealed more as their relationship grew.

"I loved Debbie. She was my soul mate," Lydon said. "I still love her."

The couple had two girls together — Vicky and Debbie — and settled in Montgomery County. A tattoo of a shamrock on Lydon's right arm has two ribbons around it: "Debra and Brian."

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The family

Lydon's brother Michael Tittinger remembers taking a break from watching a Raiders game years ago to check messages on his phone. He came across an email from his brother. It started: "Michael, there is something I've been waiting to tell you."

Scanning through the email, he stopped on the word "transgender."

Ignoring questions from his wife, he got up from the couch, went to the back bedroom and read the rest of the message.

He was the first in the family to know.

Tittinger said he and Lydon are now closer than ever. "I may have lost my brother and gained a sister, but I still have a best friend."

The rest of Lydon's Irish Catholic family was also

accepting of the news. They all met at the family home one day, and Lydon couldn't hide the fact that something was up. Lydon's mother broke the silence to ask what was happening. That's when Lydon broke down.

"I'm transgender, Mom," Lydon told her. "I've been my whole life."

Lydon's parents didn't know what that meant. She recalls her mother asking if it was the same as being gay. Realizing how alone Lydon must have felt, her mother said, "I'm so sorry you had to go through this."

Lydon remembers feeling at that moment that her parents wanted to help her move forward. "I knew they would still love me," she said. "But never in my dreams did I think it would have gone so well."

The kids

Lydon's four kids, who are all adults now, gathered in the living room of the oldest daughter's house in Northeast Philadelphia along with Lydon's ex-wife and boyfriend, Tony.

Tony and Lydon first went out on a date in September 2011. They'd met a month earlier at a karaoke night. Tony remembers Jen singing "Tiny Dancer."

This isn't the first time he's met Debbie; in fact, she joins the couple out together often.

"We're really close," Debbie said of Lydon now. "We've changed a lot as far as, obviously, a relationship, but I love her. And I'll tell you, I did not like Jen. I couldn't stand her. I went to the therapist and said, 'She's a bitch. Jen killed my husband.' But now it's like, 'Jen's awesome.'"

Lydon interrupts: "It was hard. But once I accepted who I was, it was like I couldn't stop."

Their daughter, young Debbie, says it's funny: "People have mistaken Jen for my mother."

When Lydon came out, she was worried that her family would alienate her. "I thought I would never have a loving relationship with [my kids]."

But she couldn't have been more wrong.

"I think it made us stronger, because now you can be yourself. Because you used to go in your room a lot, and now that you feel comfortable, it brought us together," the younger Debbie said.

"I would come home, drink beer, take a few Valium and try to numb everything," Lydon said. "If I have one regret, it's maybe that I would have done this earlier. But if I had done it earlier, I don't think everything would have played out so well. And I wouldn't have this beautiful family."

Quoted

"I'll tell you, I did not like Jen. I couldn't stand her. I went to the therapist and said, 'She's a bitch. Jen killed my husband.' But now it's like, Jen's awesome." Debbie, ex-wife

No looking back

Meeting Jen Lydon

Jennifer Lydon sat at the bar and nursed a diet soda on a Friday afternoon in April, about a month after she came out to her Metro Philadelphia co-workers. She had taken several weeks of sabbatical to get things in order and to meet with clients who may be confused about the salesperson now in front of them.

She pulled on her leather jacket and ran her hands through her long, wavy blonde hair. A bright smile stretched from ear to ear.

"I'm crazy happy, happier than I've been," she said.

An "F" now appears on her driver's license, her email address at work has changed and she was fingerprinted at the police

Quoted

"For the first time in my life, I can pretty much say that I am happy." Lydon

station. She's officially "Jen."

"I'm excited to get back to work," she said.

She wore her makeup lightly — eye shadow and eyeliner. A cross hung from her necklace, and a yin/yang bracelet dangled off her wrist.

"I'm actually very lucky that Metro's giving me a chance," she said, pulling on her earlobe, "because most people that try coming out at my age, it doesn't work out. Very few of us are employed. It's getting better."

She acknowledges there will be challenges along the way, but is confident that it will all work out.

"Life always throws trouble at you, but every problem I've ever had just goes back to this. I always put the two together, and it just put so much stress on my life," she said.

She pulled her drink to her still-smiling, lightly painted lips, and took a sip before adding surely: "That's gone now."



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So you see both of your jobs as different ways to use your expertise?

Exactly. It's not about the money. With my primary job, I'm catering to a community with a lower socio-economic background, so that's a big thing for me. At Eye Level, I'm catering to the upper class.

Is there anything about your current schedule or situation you wish you could change?

I wish I could take up a third job! I believe in doing the most you can do when you're young. ... But since I already have two jobs in children's education, I'd want my third job to have more of a humanitarian purpose. I'm really passionate about [educating people] about domestic violence and child abuse. I would love to be involved with [raising awareness] about these issues.



"If I could, I would work three jobs," Zonara Ashgar, 27, says.
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Thirty-seven percent of parents confess that their adult, home-bound children don't contribute toward living expenses.

More than 2,580 U.S. citizens took part in the study, with an equal split between male and female respondents, all of whom had a child aged 21 or older living with them in the family home at the time of the survey.

A majority of respondents — 42 percent — say that they have children aged between 21 and 24 living at home, while 37 percent have children aged between 25 and 29 at home.

One in five respondents have children aged 30 or older living at home.

Sixty-three percent



The phenomenon of adult children living at home is growing.
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"With the current economic situation and the recent rise in house prices, it is no surprise to see a number of American adults still living at home with their parents." Matthew Wood

of respondents say their adult kids contribute toward various household expenses and groceries. The remaining 37 percent say they get nothing.

"With the current economic situation and the recent rise in house prices, it is no surprise to see a number of American adults still living at home with their parents," says Matthew Wood of VoucherCloud.net.

By the numbers

How much do adult children cost their parents per year?

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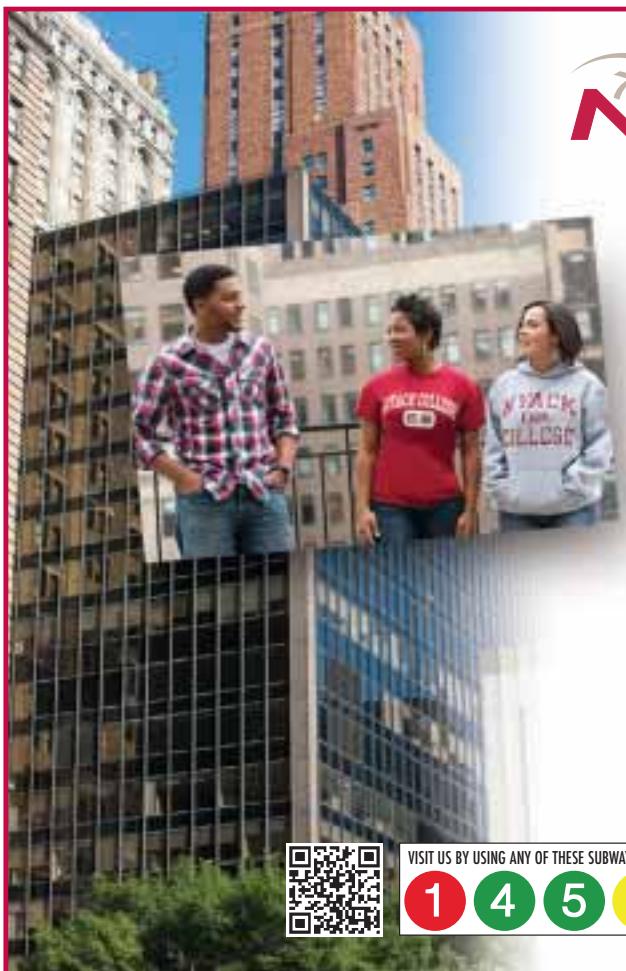
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The initiative is built on the acclaimed Freshman Academies, launched in 2009 for all full-time, first-time freshmen to support better capability to complete their degree for the first year, up to thirty credits. The programs' promising data on student retention, performance and recommendations from the faculty and staff who worked with them resulted in the decision to expand the Queensborough Academies for all full-time students, in all areas of study, for their entire academic career at Queensborough—one of the few community colleges in the country offering such a program on this scale.

The Queensborough Academies matches every full-time student to an adviser based on their area of study in one of Queensborough's five Academies: Business; Liberal Arts; Health Related Sciences; Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA); and Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). Academy advisers serve as personal guides to students throughout their college careers at Queensborough, whether they plan to transfer to a senior college or enter the workforce.

A key component of this initiative is the High Impact Practices, namely: Writing Intensive; Academic Service Learning; Learning Communities; Collaborative Projects; The Common Intellectual Experience; Undergraduate Research; and Global and Diversity Learning. These learning experiences help students fulfill their General Education Objectives and have been shown to dramatically enhance student learning outcomes.

In addition, a Queensborough Academies web page has been created to provide current and prospective students with access to information on curriculum, transfer agreements and potential careers. Moreover, new software technology will act as an early alert tool to help advisers intervene when students experience challenges in their studies, keeping students focused on accomplishing their academic goals and enriching their overall College experience. Queensborough received one of 19 national grants from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation toward implementing the system.

About Queensborough Community College

Established in 1960, Queensborough offers a liberal arts and science curriculum as well as career and pre-professional courses. Comprising one of the most diverse populations of any college in the U.S., over 16,000 students pursue Associate degrees or Certificate programs and another 10,000 students of all ages attend continuing education programs.

Queensborough Community College has several Dual/Joint Degree programs with its sister CUNY institutions: Nursing with Hunter College and York College; Biotechnology and Pharmaceutical Sciences with York College; Criminal Justice and Forensic Accounting with John Jay College of Criminal Justice; and Education with Queens College.

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as a young man, I can tell you that he hasn't always chosen the path of his greatest potential, but he is unequivocally not a racist. What he was five years ago was a naive child who did not understand the negative power and degradation that comes from playing with racial slurs. What he is now is a young man faced with an opportunity to become his best self, an example to the million of kids that follow him to not make the same mistakes. I gave every bit of advice and always told him it was up to him if he really wanted this. Now that he has it, as an adult, it's his to manage. Do I turn my head in shame based off of what I see, what I know? Nah, I don't because it's all part of life's process."

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Talking point

Gyllenhaal and McAdams: Just pals?

Jake Gyllenhaal and Rachel McAdams turned heads in Pittsburgh recently while out to dinner at local eatery Meat and Potatoes, according to E! News. The date immediately prompted tabloid speculation that a new Hollywood romance is in



the works, but apparently everyone's getting ahead of themselves. It turns out McAdams and Gyllenhaal, who are in the

Western Pennsylvania city to film their new movie, "Southpaw," are just good friends and colleagues. For now, at least!

Bryan Singer too troubled for future 'X-Men'

Bryan Singer's legal troubles didn't appear to have any negative impact on box office sales for "X-Men: Days of Future Past," but that doesn't mean he's in the clear just yet as far as professional fallout goes. All the attention surrounding Singer — who is being sued for allegedly sexually assaulting a 17-year-old boy in 1999 — could still cost him the direct-

ing job for the franchise's next film, "X-Men: Age of Apocalypse," according to Radar Online. "Fox isn't confident in it not heavily impacting production. Bryan's lawyers are going nuts because the deal was closed months ago," a source says, adding that the studio brass "don't really care whether he's innocent or guilty."

The source adds: "They're only concerned

with the bottom line, which is giving him another \$250 million to \$350 million to make 'Apocalypse.' There have been talks about who else he'd let direct it with him producing, but those led to heated arguments and walkouts. They're also looking at how far back they can push production without moving the release date, if any lawsuits did get a court date."



Bryan Singer, left, chatted with Ian McKellen at a party in November. Many of the Singer photos available on the Getty Images website don't feature him posing with too many high-profile personalities after the date when the impending lawsuits came to light. Go figure. / ALL PHOTOS BY GETTY IMAGES

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Math is cooler than you think

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This book about numbers just might "wow" you.

British journalist Alex Bellos has pretty strong feelings when it comes to math. "My first love has always been mathematics," he says. The Guardian reporter holds degrees in math and philosophy from Oxford University and has just written "The Grapes of Math," a book that shows how math is a big part of our daily lives.

Bellos' background as a storyteller makes "Grapes of Math" enjoyable whether you like math or not. The book has plenty of "wow moments," which Bellos says he made sure to include every couple pages. Take the below quiz to discover just a few.



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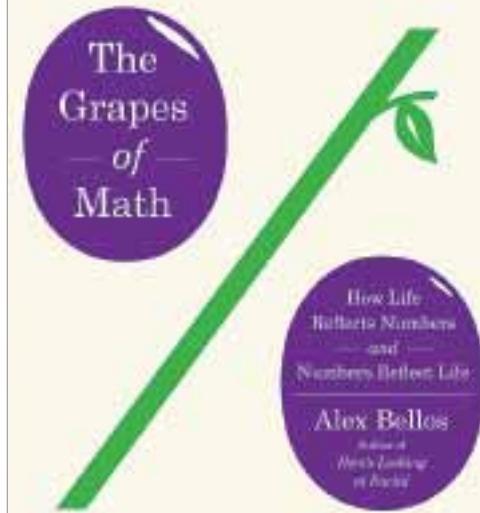
The quiz

1 What is the most popular number?

- A. 5
- B. 100
- C. 7

2 What is the most unlucky number?

- A. 13
- B. 4
- C. 9



3 What basis of math does every GPS system rely on?

- A. Physics
- B. Algebra
- C. Trigonometry

4 What gender do most people assign to numbers?

- A. Male
- B. Female

C. Depends on the number

5 In this newspaper — or any newspaper — what percentage of the numbers appearing in the various sections start with a one?

- A. 31 percent
- B. 50 percent
- C. 91 percent

The answers

1 The answer is "C."

Explanation: "It surprised me that almost everyone has a favorite number," Bellos says. "It showed me that people have real emotional connections to numbers." After polling 44,000 people on their favorite numbers and finding No. 7 at No. 1, he concluded that people like numbers that stand out: Seven is the only number between one and 10 that cannot be multiplied or divided within the group.



make a triangle whatever size you want, but if the angles stay the same, the size stays the same.

That is the basis of essentially all GPS," Bellos says.

4 The answer is "C."

Explanation: In "Grapes of Math," Bellos explains how psychologists say it's common for people to assign

numbers a gender. Odd numbers are generally seen as male, and even ones are seen as female.

5 The answer is "A."

Explanation: This comes down to Benford's Law, Bellos explains. It says that when a number appears in a book, newspaper, atlas or bank account anywhere in the world, the first digit will be one 31 percent of the time.

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There's more than chowder in Cape Cod

The Chatham Bars Inn celebrates its 100th anniversary this Saturday with a Roaring Twenties dinner dance, recapturing this tony summer playground's birth in the wild Prohibition era. Genteel Chatham sits on the Outer Cape's elbow, with the inn and its restaurant, Stars, a fabled high-society centerpiece.

Sage Inn & Lounge in Provincetown's center offers tapas style dining and cocktails infused with herbs plucked from the vertical herb garden on the patio. The locavore menu has more than a touch of whimsy — such as luscious Asian Spam sliders with cauliflower puree — and showcases flavorful pairings such as lamb with blueberry and tarragon. Theater is a big part of Provincetown's summer life and Sage Lounge metamorphoses into an after-theater dessert parlor: Try potato chip-encrusted vanilla ice cream with chocolate ganache and maple crystal-crusted pork belly sprinkles.

A mainstay on the Cape for 20 years, **Mac's Seafood** recently opened a sleek new Provincetown restaurant on Shank



Provincetown teems with people and fun, delicious restaurants. / GETTY IMAGES

Painter Road, offering classic Cape cuisine such as flounder in a beurre blanc, sushi and Happy Hour buck oysters from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. For old Cape charm, the original **Mac's** in Wellfleet Harbor is one of the Cape's best spots for sunset watching.

In Mid-Cape, tucked near Hyannis airport, **Pain D'Avignon** is easy to miss. Once found, however, the bakery and bistro serves fresh salads and sandwiches for lunch, fruits de mer or

roasted organic chicken for dinner entrees and an exceptional wine list.

Falmouth nestles on the southeastern part of the Inner Cape and is home to the **Sea Crest Beach Hotel**'s restaurant, **Red's**, named for the famed Celtics coach Red Auerbach and filled with his personal memorabilia. Enjoy Chardonnay-marinated mussels while overlooking beautiful Old Silver Beach on Nantasket Bay.

In Falmouth vil-

lage, breakfast at the **Pickle Jar**, where a menu standout is the blueberry muffin French toast with Greek yogurt. At the village green, the **Palmer House Inn**'s wrap-around porch is the perfect place to end the day. Included in the room rates of this Victorian inn is an elegant cooked breakfast served in the captivating dining room.

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Get your kicks off Route 6. The Cape is known for beautiful beaches, but its restaurants are an equally worthy attraction.

Provincetown

The 411 on 141

Farther north in this beloved part of Massachusetts is Provincetown, a favorite among artists and the LGBT community and also a hub of progressive dining. Ask locals where to eat and they'll recommend

141 Bradford Natural Market, which opened a second location, **141 To Go**, this spring. It's a flexitarian café with some meat items, but the highlight is a vegetarian and vegan daily smorgasbord of crafted vegetable and grain dishes. Top off a healthy meal of organic Basmati rice with virgin coconut oil and cardamom, salad and organic juice with the rich, vegan dark chocolate torte (below).



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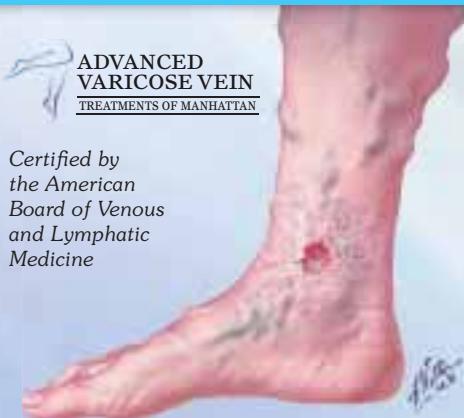
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Stars appear to rotate around Polaris, the North Star (center, top), in this time exposure, above a view of the 13-foot telescope dome at Kitt Peak National Observatory near Tucson, Arizona. / STAND HONDA/GETTY IMAGES

Close to home

Cherry Springs State Park

Where: Pennsylvania
One of the darkest spots east of the Mississippi, Cherry Springs State Park became a Gold-Certified International Dark Sky Park, one of only a handful in the U.S., in 2008. Despite its proximity to urban areas, the 82-acre park is set atop a hill surrounded by

the 262,000-acre Susquehannock State Forest and offers a 360-degree view of the night sky free from light pollution. **Insider Tip:** Cherry Springs State Park's Night Sky Viewing area is always open. Here you'll find public parking and information kiosks. Follow the walkway to the viewing area, which is shielded from passing vehicle lights.

Fodors. If you're interested in a constellation vacation, you need to head out to these places.

Experiencing the full brilliance of a starry night sky is no longer a given when you step outside. Even on the clearest nights, the city's artificial light obscures the natural darkness, making nighttime skies look a lot less majestic than they should. Across the country, however, there are still vast swaths of wilderness that retain the natural lightscape. In these three destinations, you're sure to be awestruck as you gaze up at the jaw-droppingly beautiful skies above.

the U.S. **Insider Tip:** To use the Observatory's telescopes, register for one of the Nightly Observing Programs for \$49, plus a small fee for the shuttle from the Visitor Center to the peak. For a once-in-a-lifetime experience (with a price tag to match), try the Advanced Observing Program and spend the night at the Observatory with a staff astronomer.

The Headlands

Where: Michigan
Free from most city light pollution, the Headlands are located on the shores of the Straits of Mackinac, at the tip of Michigan's Lower Peninsula. A 550-acre park, the Headlands became a Silver-Certified International Dark Sky Park in 2011. While the stargazing might not quite compete with the remote sites in the Western U.S., the Headlands more than makes up for it with staff enthusiasm and extensive programming offered free of charge.

Insider Tip: Built in 2012, the Dark Sky Discovery Trail takes visitors from the Headlands entrance to the designated Dark Sky Viewing Area along a one-mile paved path.



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Healthy popsicle recipes for kids

Snack time.

Make these three easy popsicle recipes with help from your kids.

What kid doesn't love popsicles? Mister Softee's looped song is enough to inspire even the most spoiled of brats to behave. But what kids will enjoy even more than just eating their sweet frozen treat is actually making them with you. We know it might require more patience and more paper towels than you have on hand, but the end result will give you both a sense of accomplishment. Food52, an online resource for recipes, dining inspiration and entertaining necessities, shared with us three nutritional popsicle recipes that are as easy as they are delicious.



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Recipe

Blackberry, Rosemary and Yogurt Popsicles

By Amanda Hesser

Ingredients:

- 2 rosemary sprigs
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup plus 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 cup blueberries
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup blackberries
- 1 cup Greek or European-style whole milk yogurt
- 2 to 3 tablespoons vanilla sugar (or sugar plus $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon vanilla extract)

Instructions:

- 1 Combine the rosemary, sugar and water in a small saucepan. Bring to a boil, swirling the pan to help dissolve the sugar. Simmer for five minutes, then let cool for 20 minutes. Pile the berries into a medium saucepan and add a splash of water. Set over medium heat and crush the berries with a potato



Recipe

Mango Lassicles

By Nicholas Day

Ingredients:

- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups fresh mango pulp
- 1 cup Greek yogurt
- 1 tablespoon honey
- Pinch of salt
- Pinch of ground cardamom

Instructions:

Combine all ingredients in a blender and blend very well. Freeze in the ice-pop containers of your choice. Allow four hours or so for freezing.

Freeze these mango popsicles in the morning and enjoy them in the afternoon for a refreshing snack. / FOOD52, JAMES RANSOM

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Store-bought popsicles just can't compare to homemade blackberry, rosemary and yogurt ones. / FOOD52, JAMES RANSOM

masher as the pan heats.

- 2 Once the berries begin to weep juice and are mostly crushed, scoop the berry goop into a fine-mesh sieve set over a bowl. Press the berries with the back of a spoon until all you're left with is pulp; throw away this pulp. Add the rosemary syrup a tablespoon at a time to the berry puree until it's sweetened to your liking. Fill six popsicle molds halfway with this berry

puree. Freeze until slightly firmer than slush, about three hours.

- 3 Mix together the yogurt and vanilla sugar (or sugar and vanilla extract), sweetening it as much as you want. Fill up the top halves of the popsicle molds with this mixture. Press the popsicle sticks into the center. Freeze until very firm. To unmold, suspend the popsicle molds in a bowl of hot water, until the popsicles are loosened.

Recipe. Natural, All American Rocket Pops

By Ashley McLachlin

Ingredients

- 1 cup hulled strawberries, partially frozen
- 1 to $1\frac{1}{4}$ cup coconut water, divided
- 2 to 3 tablespoons agave nectar or honey, divided
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup blackberries, partially frozen
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup blueberries, partially frozen
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cups crushed ice
- 2 to 3 tablespoons lime juice
- 1 teaspoon lime zest



Instructions:

Blend the strawberries, $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ cup coconut water, and $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 teaspoons agave nectar or honey. Use as little coconut water as possible to thicken the mixture. Empty into a bowl and freeze for 30 minutes (It will be slushy). Rinse your blender, then blend blackberries, blueberries, coconut water and agave nectar or honey. Freeze. Next, blend crushed ice, lime juice, lemon zest, coconut water and agave nectar or honey. Spoon the mixtures — they should be thick — into popsicle molds, layering them. Place popsicle stick in and freeze for four hours.

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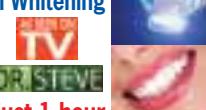
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Father's Day book picks

Stereotypically, dads aren't big talkers. Moms build communities with other moms so that they have sounding boards to ask their burning questions about applying to preschools and about whether wine is OK to drink when you're breast-feeding. But dads don't do it as much. Luckily, there are three new books out that allow dads to commiserate. **EMILY LAURENCE**

'When I First Held You'

by Brian Gresko

Twenty-two well-respected writers talk about fatherhood at different stages and how it has transformed them. Through poignant and at times funny essays, the fathers write about the surprises becoming a dad brings. What is it like to first hold your newborn? Or what does it feel like when you disappoint your son for the first time? These dads don't hold back.

Lev Grossman writes about the frustrations of

having to put his career on hold when he became a dad, only to find his writing changed for the better when he returned to it. David Bezmozigis writes about how his daughter's birth made him think about his father's death in a new way. And Alexi Zentner recalls just the sheer exhaustion from those early days.

Whether you're currently raising a newborn or an almost-adult, you'll feel a sense of community with these dads.

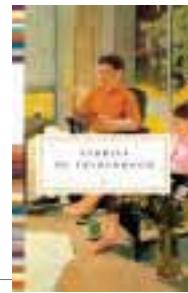


'Stories of Fatherhood'

by Diana Secker Tesdell

If you favor the time and tested literary greats, "Stories of Fatherhood" belongs on your bookshelf. Diana Secker Tesdell compiled some of literature's best tales about dads, written by authors such as D.H. Lawrence, Edith Wharton and Katherine Mansfield. That's

right, plenty of women have written poignant scenes taking place between fathers and their offspring. But of course, so have men. There's



a sad, touching story about Christmas written by Vladimir Nabokov; James Joyce's short story "A Little Cloud" is about a man who still does not feel complete, even after having a son; and Franz Kafka's "The Judgement" explores the complex relationship between a man and his father. Not all

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by Jerry Mahoney

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— can make you feel like you're the only one who has ever gone through it, ever. Blogger Jerry Mahoney's new book is about his journey into parenthood with his partner. Through humor and honesty, he reveals how they debated



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Starting in September, the 92nd Street Y will expand upon its adult and



children's boxing classes and will offer private one-on-one sessions.

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Horoscope

II Gemini | May 22-June 20. Interviews, settlements or investment opportunities will turn in your favor. Try using innovative methods to bring in extra cash.

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© Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. Trying to get your own way by force will cause a rift with someone. You will not gain support if you aren't a team player.

IV Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Get together with people who have compatible goals. The results will be beneficial and could lead to joint ventures.

© Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22. The learning you've acquired will now serve you well. Draw from your experience to find solutions that will give you an edge.

III Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 22. Worry and stress will make it hard for you to get anything done. Let go of the past and remember what you are trying to achieve.

↑ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21. Your capabilities are making a favorable impression. A development will have a great impact on your plans.

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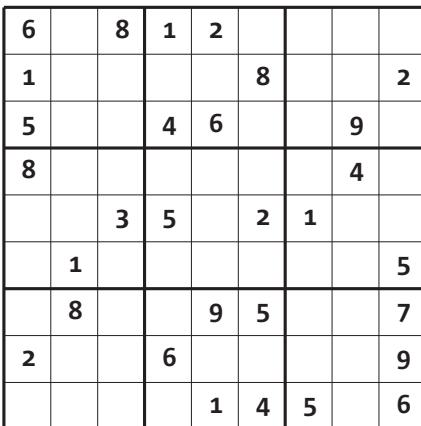
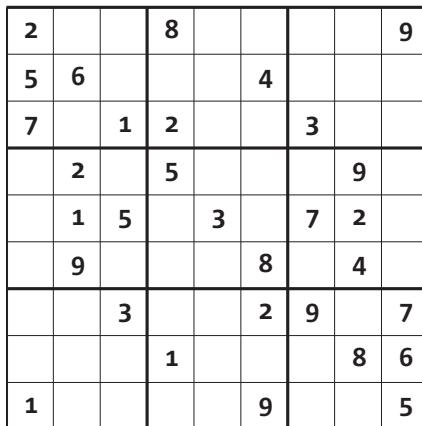
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Sudoku: Easy and hard



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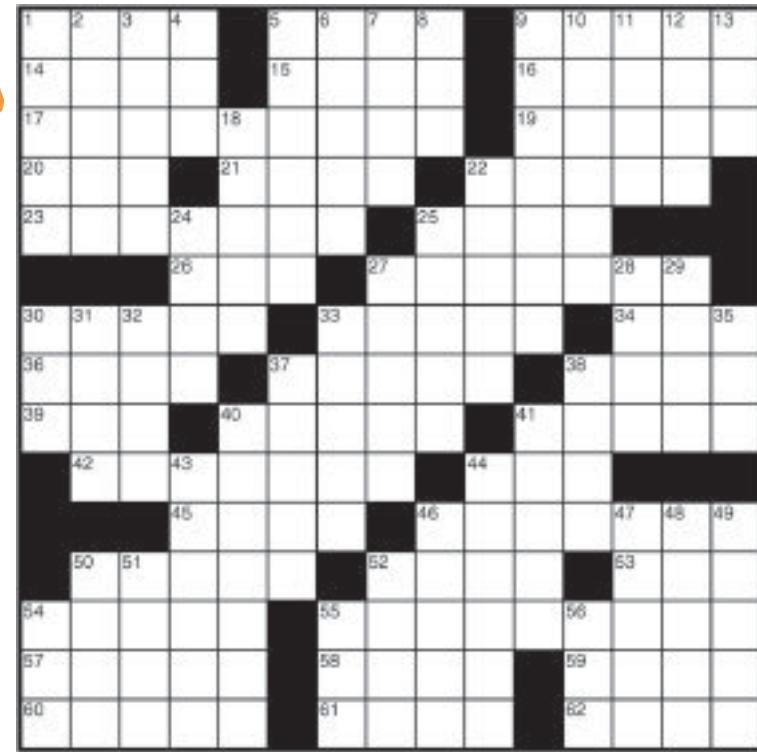
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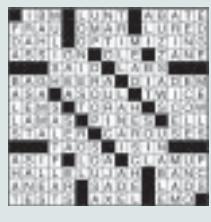
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7 Clarified butter
8 Put down grass
9 Environment
10 Planet next to Saturn
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25 Markdowns
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28 Spring
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30 Nol or Chaney
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32 Long-tailed animals
33 Goes without food



Yesterday's answer



Letters

Take pity on the shy ones

Re: 'No separate dating rules' (Metro, June 9) To

letter writer Isabel Barros: You are displaying the same discrimination you accuse the article writer of. You state that you will date any man who has the confidence to ask you out. What about all the men who lack that confidence? Maybe they'd turn out to be your perfect mate; would you really destroy that potential because they can't do that one thing? Many women fail to realize that for a lot of men, asking a woman out can be torture; it's the hardest part of the dating process. There are a ton of good men out there, yet you'll never know them because you refuse to meet them halfway.

RICHARD LYNCH, VIA EMAIL

Help women bring home the bacon

Re: 'Stay-at-home dads on the rise along with joblessness' (Metro, us)

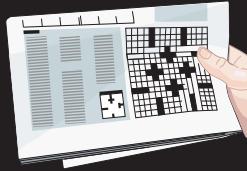
Your article states, "Gender roles ... are converging, with men taking on more caregiving tasks and women increasingly becoming the breadwinners." This is all the more reason why women's earnings need to increase up to the same potential as salaries of men. This is also why stay-at-home dads should advocate for raising their wives' salaries. **MARIBELLE VASQUEZ-PAZOS, VIA EMAIL**

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Rangers one game from Final sweep

Stanley Cup Final.

Jonathan Quick and the Kings were dominant in a shutout victory in Game 3.

Over the course of five days and 3,000 miles, the Rangers spoke of being competitive with the Kings and feeling like victims of misfortune. Then the puck was dropped for Game 3, and reality reared its head.

The result of the first Stanley Cup Final game in New York City since June 14, 1994, was a 3-0 loss to the Kings Monday night at the Garden.

The Rangers trail the best-of-seven series, 3-0. Game 4 is scheduled for Wednesday night at 8 p.m.



Mats Zuccarello and the Rangers will face elimination in Game 4 on Wednesday. / GETTY IMAGES

By the numbers

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The victory was Jonathan Quick's ninth career postseason shutout and his second of these playoffs. It was also his second career Stanley Cup Final shutout.

Jeff Carter, Jake Muzzin and Mike Richards scored for the Kings. Jonathan Quick made 32 saves.

For all intents and purposes, the game was decided by Carter's goal with seven-tenths of a second left in the first to make it 1-0.

By the end of the second period, silence grew to anger as the Kings had a 3-0 lead and Quick stopped all 11 Rangers shots in the third period.

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What went wrong ...

1 Garden party
Madison Square Garden was loud, excited and supportive. Then with one flick of Jeff Carter's wrist, the energy and noise which had filled the World's Most Famous Arena vanished into the ether.

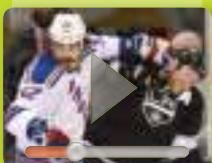
2 Quick pick
Entering Game 3, Jonathan Quick had compiled a less-than-sterling .906 save percentage in the Stanley Cup playoffs. In his first game at the Garden since he was child, Quick left with a shutout. The Kings goaltender squared up on shots, took away the bottom of the net and his lateral movement was explosive.

3 On the hook
It's rare when a penalty can be praised. But Drew Doughty's hook of Rick Nash at 11:53 of the second period essentially saved a goal. Nash had curled around the net for a wraparound, and Quick had moved off the right post, leaving room for the puck to be tucked into the net. But Doughty's hook eliminated the scoring chance.

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5 Stars to watch in the World Cup

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It's no secret the United States doesn't go crazy over the English Premier League, Spain's La Liga or the German Bundesliga. So there's a good chance you haven't been following the world of soccer (yes, football)

over the past four years. Much has changed among the stars of the sport. The winner of the Golden Ball as best player, Uruguay's Diego Forlan, is over the hill and Brazil's Neymar is king.

And if you think David Beckham is still a star, you're stuck in 2006.

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Lionel Messi

Age: 26
Country: Argentina
Club: Barcelona (La Liga)
Honors: 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 Ballon d'Or (best player in the world)

There are very few things to be said about Lionel Messi which haven't already been said.

He is the best player in the world and you'll find few arguments to the contrary. With him winning his first La Liga title in 2004-05, it's easy to forget Messi is only 26 years old and playing in his third World Cup this month.

The 5-foot-6 dynamo is unmatched on the pitch in terms of offensive skill. And he isn't just a threat to score every game, he pretty much does score every



LIONEL MESSI

game. Messi has played in 36 games for Barcelona this season, split between La Liga and the Champions League, and has 36 goals. He also has 11 assists.

But that is actually a slowed pace from last season, when he had an astounding 46 goals and 12 assists in 28 La Liga games.

Messi gives every person who wasn't born a 6-foot-3 athletic freak someone to root for. Just know it's a very large bandwagon.

Luis Suarez

Age: 27
Country: Uruguay
Club: Liverpool (EPL)
Honors: 2014 PFA Players' Player of the Year, 2013-14 Premier League Golden Boot (top goal scorer)

Uruguay doesn't carry the same American recognition as Brazil or Argentina as a soccer superpower, but they've had plenty of success — and stars.

Suarez eschewed La Liga, like many South



LUIS SUAREZ

American players choose to play for Dutch clubs Groningen and Ajax before signing with EPL side Liverpool in 2010 for about \$38.3 million.

He has received a bad

Neymar

Age: 22
Country: Brazil
Club: Barcelona (La Liga)
Honors: 2011 and 2012 South American Footballer of the Year, Golden Ball 2013 Confederations Cup

If you lived in Brazil, you would know Neymar (full name: Neymar da Silva Santos Jr.) like you know LeBron James and Peyton Manning.

He is, quite simply, the hottest star in the world's biggest sport. He's also really, really good.

Neymar developed a

bit of a bad reputation as a very young player, because he appeared to be content to play his soccer — and dominate — in Brazil, as opposed to joining one of the major clubs in Europe.

But he finally jumped across the pond last year, when he signed with Spanish superpower Barcelona, alongside fellow superstar Lionel Messi. No surprise, there have been very few people chirping about Neymar's lack of skill now that



NEYMAR HONED HIS SKILLS IN THE CROWDED ARENA OF AN INDOOR SOCCER KNOWN AS FUTSAL

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he's tearing up La Liga too.

He has nine goals and eight assists in 26 games for Barcelona. Neymar has been even better when he pulls on the No. 10 of Brazil, with eight goals and eight assists in 16 international games this year. He has 31 goals in 49 games with the national team since 2010.

With his spiked hair and flair for the dramatic, he's likely to be a favorite for all newcomers.

Robin van Persie

Age: 30
Country: Netherlands
Club: Manchester United (EPL)
Honors: 2012 PFA Players' Player of the Year, two-time EPL Golden Boot



ROBIN VAN PERSIE

Manchester United is the biggest soccer club in the world and Robin van Persie is its best player.

He's also the captain of a Dutch national team which is a dark horse to win the 2014 World Cup.

His country's all-time leading goal scorer had

a somewhat pedestrian EPL campaign (12 goals and three assists in 21 games), but led all players with 11 goals in qualifying for the World Cup. If he is on form this month, the Netherlands has a chance to upset some of the favorites.

Cristiano Ronaldo

Age: 29
Country: Portugal
Club: Real Madrid (La Liga)
Honors: 2008 and 2013 Ballon d'Or (best player in the world), two-time La Liga top scorer, 2007-08 EPL Golden Boot

Cristiano Ronaldo is known as much for his slicked-back hair and playboy style as he is for his on-field skills. But he has talent to spare as well.

The 29-year-old striker carries a burden unlike Messi, however, because of his off-field reputation. He is not loved for his skill or even always respected, due to



RONALDO HAS BEEN DATING RUSSIAN SUPERMODEL IRINA SHAYK FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS.

the Premier League title three times in a row (2006 to 2009) while he was a part of Manchester United. They also won the Champions League in 2007-08 and was part of an FA Cup winning side in 2003-04.

Ronaldo made the very expensive (read: a \$132 million transfer fee) jump to La Liga and Real Madrid in 2009, where he won a league crown in 2011-12.

Portugal has had less success on the international stage, often coming up short against rival Spain. But Ronaldo has rarely been to blame. He has an all-time national team record 49 goals in 110 appearances.

NBA. Knicks come to agreement with Derek Fisher as head coach

The Knicks had few options in their coaching search after Steve Kerr passed, so it's a good thing president Phil Jackson got his next choice.

According to multiple reports, the Knicks have agreed to a five-year, \$25 million deal with former point guard Derek Fisher to become the team's next head coach. Mike Woodson was fired at the end of the disappointing 2013-14 season.

Fisher, 39, never officially retired from the NBA after the Thunder

By the numbers

\$91M

The Knicks have \$91,216,515 tied up in players for next season. A large portion is committed to Amar'e Stoudemire (\$23.4 million) and Carmelo Anthony (\$23.5 million).

were eliminated in the Western Conference finals last week, but just nine days later he's become a head coach.

The move mirrors the one made by another point guard in the New

York market. Nets head coach Jason Kidd retired and signed to become the team's head coach just days later despite no coaching experience.

Like Kidd, Fisher was seen as a cerebral player on the court. He was point guard on five NBA title teams (2000 to 2002, 2009 and 2010) with the Lakers, all coached by Jackson.

It was seen as a prerequisite that the next Knicks coach be familiar with Jackson's triangle offense. **MARK OSBORNE**



Fisher has never been a head coach, but he did serve as NBA Players Association president. / GETTY IMAGES

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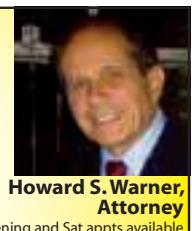
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